

# The Brattleboro Daily Reformer

VOL. 4. NO. 27.

BRATTLEBORO, VERMONT, FRIDAY, EVENING, MARCH 31, 1916.

TWO CENTS.

## SITUATION NOT IMMINENT

### Administration Assuming a Waiting Policy in Dealing with Germany

### NOT SURPRISED AT GERARD'S SILENCE

May Not Have Carried Request to Foreign Office on Account of Delicate Situation in Reichstag Over Submarine Question.

WASHINGTON, March 31. — Chairman Stone of the senate foreign relations committee and Chairman Flood of the house foreign affairs committee went over the submarine situation fully with Secretary Lansing today at an early conference.

The situation with Germany was described as not being "imminent" and it was said the two committee chairmen had not come to the state department by appointment, but had come separately, seeking information for the guidance for members in conference.

Officials declared they were not worried because they had not heard from Ambassador Gerard, who was instructed to make inquiry of the German foreign office whether a submarine torpedoed the steamers Sussex and Englishman. They added they would not be surprised if they did not hear from the ambassador for another day or two.

Meanwhile the situation may accurately be described as a waiting one. Aside from the slowness of communication between Washington and Berlin it was pointed out today that the American ambassador may not have carried his request to the foreign office while it was engaged in the delicate situation in the German reichstag over the submarine policy, which has been likened to the situation in the American congress over the armed ship controversy.

### WOULD END DEATH PENALTY.

Gov. McCall Wants It Abandoned in Massachusetts.

BOSTON, March 31.—Gov. McCall sent a special message to the state legislature yesterday afternoon recommending the passage of a special act to provide for the abolition of capital punishment. In his message Gov. McCall says:

"As statistics do not prove that capital punishment lessens the number of crimes committed, it would seem that the time has arrived for doing away with that method of punishment."

In Russia there are enough people to populate Great Britain, Germany and France, with a considerable number left over.

### First Baptist Church

Tonight, 7:30.—Prayer meeting of the church. Read Ephesians.

### Sunday Services.

10:30 a. m.—Sermon. Subject, Grieve Not the Holy Spirit.

11:45 a. m.—Bible School. Classes for all ages.

3:45 p. m.—Junior Christian Endeavor.

7:30 p. m.—Sermon. Subject, The Great Mock Trial, of the Hathi Spoken Blasphemy. Dugan's orchestra. Chorus choir. Alexander hymns.

### Centre Congregational Church

Friday at 6 p. m.—Supper in the chapel for the teachers and officers of the Sunday school and the board of religious education, followed by teachers' meeting.

Friday at 7:30 p. m.—Service of praise and prayer in the chapel. Subject, Parables of Human Choice. Matt. 21:23-46. Leader, Rev. Richard H. Clapp.

### In Odd Fellows' Hall

All Odd Fellows are requested not to forget the moving party Saturday. Meet at the old hall at 1:30.

### Brooks House Sanitary Barber Shop

5 EXPERT WORKMEN 5

The Prince of Bootblacks Employed Here

J. H. ALLEN PROP.

## WAR FLASHES FROM EUROPEAN CAPITALS

German Capture Village of Malancourt—Berlin Ignorant of Cause of Sussex Explosion.

PARIS, March 31.—The Germans delivered a fierce night attack on three sides of the village of Malancourt, says the French official statement issued this morning, and the French retired from the village proper, which was in ruins, but continued to hold its outskirts. Fierce infantry fighting lasted for the entire night before the French withdrew from the untenable position in the village of Malancourt. The Germans again tried to carry by assault the positions which the French had won back in the Avocourt woods, but they were repulsed. East of the Meuse the night was calm.

BERLIN, March 31, via London.—The capture of the village of Malancourt in the Verdun region west of the Meuse was announced by the war office today. The Germans took 328 prisoners.

BERLIN, Tuesday, March 28, via London, March 31.—Inquiries in government circles developed the statement that nothing is known here concerning the explosion which damaged the cross channel steamer Sussex, beyond the newspaper reports from abroad. Officials are refraining from comment.

LONDON, March 31.—A Reuter despatch from Holland says that many persons lost their lives Wednesday in a fire in a powder factory at Troisdorf near Cologne.

LONDON, March 31.—British casualties in March, as compiled from published lists, amounted to 1,107 officers and 19,317 men.

## CHARGED WITH PLOT TO DESTROY CANAL

Capt. Tauscher, Husband of Gadsli, Arrested in His New York Office Yesterday.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Capt. Hans Tauscher, husband of Mme. Johanna Gadsli, the grand opera diva, an American agent of the Krupp and several other big munition manufacturers of Germany and Austria-Hungary, was arrested at his office, 320 Broadway, at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon on the charge of having set on foot a military enterprise to blow up the Welland Canal, an important avenue of commerce in Canada running around Niagara Falls.

The captain, must be a fallen despite his natty attire and dignified demeanor, was arraigned before United States Commissioner Houghton and held in \$25,000 bail for a hearing one week from next Thursday.

Capt. Tauscher, who is accused of having financed and directed a plot to destroy the waterway in September, 1914, just one year prior to the time that Paul Koenig, the German secret service agent, planned, according to the government authorities, a similar undertaking, is by far the most important person arrested thus far in the federal investigations into Germany's alleged secret undertakings in this country to hamper the allies.

If convicted the penalty for his crime will be three years in prison and a fine of \$3,000.

## SPAULDING SAW GIBSON KILLED

No Warning Was Given When the Fatal Shot Was Fired at Sharon February 24.

WOODSTOCK, March 31.—The work of securing the jury in the trial of Charles Leighton, charged with the murder of A. C. Gibson in Sharon on Feb. 24, last, was completed yesterday morning in Windsor county court and the state immediately began the presentation of its case.

Among the witnesses testifying yesterday for the state was Wallace Aldrich, owner of the rifle which, the state claims that Leighton used as a weapon against Gibson.

Dr. B. H. Stone, state pathologist, testified regarding conducting an autopsy on the body of Gibson.

Fred Spaulding, one of Gibson's teamsters, testified to the circumstances of the alleged murder of his employer. Spaulding was with Gibson in the timber lot when the man was killed.

Spaulding testified that there was not a word spoken by Leighton or his sons, Walter and Newell, who have been indicted on the same charge as their father, to Gibson. Spaulding said that Gibson had drawn away one load of logs, the ownership of which it appears was in dispute, and was preparing to get another load when he was fired upon.

Other witnesses gave testimony along lines similar to that of Spaulding.

### AURORA IN DISTRESS.

Help to Be Sent from New Zealand to Shackleton's Ship.

WELLINGTON, N. Z., March 29 via London.—A wireless despatch received from the Aurora, the auxiliary ship of Shackleton expedition, says: "We are getting towards Snares island under influence of wind and sea. We are unable to maneuver the ship owing to damage to rudders." The authorities are sending a tug to the assistance of Aurora.

## VILLA MAY BE TRAPPED SOON

### Possible Pursuing Squad May Catch Him Before He Turns South

### THE BANDIT'S TROOPS MASSACRED GARRISON

Killed 172 of the Carranza Soldiers Stationed at Guerrero—Wild Stories That the Outlaws Contemplated Another U. S. Raid.

EL PASO, Texas, March 31.—Francisco Villa has crossed the great continental divide and is heading south-west to his old headquarters at San Andres, according to the most reliable information here today, coupled with the report from Gen. Funston's headquarters at San Antonio.

Keen interest in the chase has been aroused once more on the border by the renewed possibility that the bandit may be trapped before he can swing to the south of the pursuing squad. American troops sweeping down from the north on the eastern side of the divide should be today by all calculations within striking distance of the San Geronimo ranch, where the quarry was last known to be.

Another detachment of Gen. Pershing's cavalry is believed to have swung southeast from Madera, passing well south of Guerrero, where Villa is said to have massed 172 Carranza troops and to be striking for Cerro Prieto in the hope of cutting off the brigand from the south.

The east is presumably closed by the several thousand men whom Gen. Guiterrez is said to have in the district around Chihuahua City.

The fact that the bandit turned northeast from Guerrero instead of in a southerly direction gave rise to wild stories that he was headed for the border with the intention of perpetrating another raid on the territory of the United States. One story even went so far as to declare that he contemplated a second attack on Columbus.

Whether his assault on the garrison at Guerrero was the same engagement reported by Gen. Pershing was not known, but it was considered likely since the action reported by Gen. Pershing occurred Monday somewhere in that region. Details of the engagement were not reported.

It has been learned at field headquarters of the American expeditionary forces, in Colonia Dublan, Chihuahua, that Francisco Villa nearly lost his life a few days ago on the Corralitos ranch, a short distance from that place, where he tortured and put to death five Mexicans. One of his victims leaped upon him and was strangling Villa when officers beat his assailant senseless with the butts of their guns.

Mucio Polanco was the name of the Mexican who almost succeeded in ending Villa's career. The murder of five members of the Polanco family was said to have been intended to be a warning against other Mexicans against having dealings with Americans. Investigation showed that the Polanco family was involved with no political faction in Mexico, but that they had a record of uniform honesty and reliability in dealing with the American managers of the Corralitos ranch, where they were born and reared.

Mexican Consul Garcia announced late today that he had been informed by Gen. Gavira, Carranza commander at Juarez, that the latter had received word that the American troops had been engaged in a battle with Villa's forces.

### DANIELS IS TREASURER.

Brattleboro Man Gets Office at Methodist Conference.

(Special to The Reformer.)

MONTPELIER, March 31.—The following officers were elected this forenoon at the Methodist laymen's conference: President, William P. Dillingham of Waterbury; vice presidents, Frank Plimley of Northfield, R. M. Millett of Springfield, B. E. Moore of Newport; secretary-treasurer, Sanford A. Daniels of Brattleboro. The treasurer of the Preachers' Aid society reported \$7,000 added to the permanent fund.

Limousine With Heavy Tread. He was wandering aimlessly around in a department store when the floor walker approached him.

"Looking for something?" he asked.

"Yes, my wife," replied the man.

"Describe her."

"Well, she is a sort of a limousine with heavy tread and usually runs on low."—Ohio Motorist.

## WEEKS CANDIDATE FOR LIEUT. GOVERNOR

Middlebury Man Announces That He Will Enter the Primaries Next September.

MIDDLEBURY, March 31.—The second announcement of a candidacy for a state office on the Republican ticket next fall is made by Judge John E. Weeks of this town, who aspires to the lieutenant governorship. Judge Weeks, who has been chairman of the penitentiary board for a number of years, is speaker of the house of representatives.

Judge Weeks, who is a native of Salisbury, located in Middlebury in 1896. Though his business has been largely in farming and mercantile lines he has devoted himself to the public service much of the time since he was elected a member of the General assembly in 1888. He was a member of the senate in 1896 and was returned in 1912 to the lower branch of the assembly.

In 1892-94 he was assistant judge of Addison county and in 1898 was appointed a trustee of the Vermont industrial school. He was state cattle commissioner in 1906 and since the latter year has been chairman of the penal board. He has held most of the town and village offices.

In announcing his intention to enter the primaries next September as a candidate for lieutenant governor Judge Weeks makes the following statement:

"I have been asked by many friends whether I would be a candidate for lieutenant governor. It is perhaps due to those who have kindly offered me their support, and also fair to other possible candidates, that I should announce at this time that I will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for this office. If I am nominated, I shall try to do my part toward a vigorous and earnest campaign. If I am elected, I will do what I can to secure as prompt dispatch of legislative business as is consistent with thorough consideration and fairness to every interest.

"I believe that the future of Vermont depends not so much upon high-sounding phrases in party platforms as upon the selection of capable, fair-minded men as legislators and state officers. I stand for everything that can be done to assist both the agricultural and manufacturing industries of the state, for the greatest economy consistent with efficiency in the management of state institutions, for the continuation of the Vermont good roads policy, for equity in taxation, for fair labor legislation, and for endeavor to enforce more strictly the laws we have rather than to enact a large number of new ones.

"While I am a Republican, the duties of the lieutenant governor are so largely concerned with state matters that if I receive the nomination I shall appeal for support to men of all parties, and if elected, I will try to perform the duties of the office solely in the interest of Vermont."

## BLANK INVENTORIES SENT TO TAYPAYERS

Letter Accompanying Each Says Offset Law Which Took Effect Jan. 1. Increases Listers' Work.

The listers mailed today an inventory blank to every taxpayer, accompanied by the following letter:

"You will find herewith tax inventory for 1916, which according to law you are required to fill out and return to us on or before April 20, 1916.

"Owing to the offset law, which took effect January 1, 1916, the duties of the listers have been materially increased, and in order to secure a satisfactory grand list within the time prescribed by law, it will be necessary for you to comply with our request.

"Our headquarters is in the town clerk's office. One of us or the clerk or someone, equally capable will be there from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m., excepting the noon hour, each day, to receive your list, before whom you can subscribe your name and make oath to your inventory, free of charge, and if you desire assistance it will be cheerfully furnished."

The listers are Abram J. Currier, Hugh H. Dunklee and Fred A. Betterley.

## PLAN TO REDUCE COST OF GASOLINE

National Automobile Chamber of Commerce to Form Organization with Millions of Capital.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Manufacturers of automobiles connected with the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce announced today their decision to incorporate a company with "an ultimate capital of from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000" to produce gasoline and other products of petroleum with the purpose of "demonstrating that gasoline can be produced and sold at a profit at a price somewhat lower than that now prevailing, and within the means of all users of automobiles and motor boats."

Prisoners in Morocco are compelled to pay the officers for their trouble in arresting and escorting them to the police station.

Australia maintains a training school for boys who desire to become expert farmers but lack the means to pay for proper instruction.

## FATALITIES IN LAWRENCE FIRE

### Mrs. Aaron A. Currier and Her Daughter, Florence, Burned to Death

### FIRE AT SAME TIME IN NEARBY HOUSE

The Authorities Are Suspicious That the Blazes Were of Incendiary Origin and They Are Making an Investigation Today.

LAWRENCE, Mass., March 31.—Mrs. Aaron A. Currier and daughter, Miss Ella Currier, were burned to death in a fire that swept through their home early today. David Currier, nine years old, was badly burned in making his escape.

The large cement house owned by Jak Katz and occupied by the Katz and the Currier families was destroyed and the adjoining residence of Joseph Walworth was badly damaged. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

Mrs. Katz also was burned and was removed to a hospital, but physicians said her injuries were not serious.

The authorities today announced that a thorough investigation into the cause of the fire was being made on the strength of reports that it may have been of incendiary origin.

Fire department officials stated that the blaze in the Walworth residence apparently started in the cellar, and was not due, so far as could be ascertained, to the fire in the Katz home next door.

### BRATTLEBORO LOCAL.

Rev. George E. Tomkinson will conduct the chapel service at the Retreat Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The island ball field was occupied this morning by boys at baseball practice, the first of the spring season.

The storm lobby on the town building was removed yesterday. With the exception of the storm doors of the Brooks House this is the last necessary sign of the arrival of spring.

The check list of voters to be used at the coming regular annual village meeting has been posted in the town hall corridor. The meeting will be held Tuesday, May 2, at 8 p. m., in Festival hall.

Arrangements have been made for troop No. 1 of the Boy Scouts to hike to the Scott farm tomorrow. The boys will meet at headquarters in the Centre church home at 1 o'clock. The Scott farm is one of the largest sugar farms in southern Vermont.

The attraction at the Empire today is Pearl White in The Cogan Case, the third episode of The Iron Claw, and Cyril Maude in The Greater Will in five acts. Tomorrow Tom Wase will be seen in A Gentleman from Mississippi, a five-act comedy-drama.

Rev. C. L. Everts, who spent two weeks in Brattleboro preliminary to the Chapman-Alexander evangelistic meetings, is now in Wilmington, N. C., making preparations for a series of meetings, which will be the last before the evangelists come to Keene, N. H., in May.

The official list of tennis fixtures for the coming season was announced at New York yesterday by the executive committee of the United States National Lawn Tennis association.

Vermont state championship is scheduled to be played on the courts of the Brattleboro Country club August 15.

Class No. 10 of the Methodist Sunday school met and organized last evening in the home of Mrs. Cola Morse of Harris place.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. Morse; vice president, Mrs. E. E. Covey; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. D. H. Fraser.

The special V. L. S. E. production, My Lady's Slipper, with Anita Stewart and Earle Williams supported by an all-star cast, will be the attraction at the Princess theatre today.

There will be special music by the Princess orchestra. Tomorrow Charlie Chaplin in a one-reel comedy with a specially selected program and music by the Princess orchestra will be the offering.

Australia will be the subject of the stereopticon lecture by Rev. D. E. Trout in the Universalist church Sunday at 7:30 p. m. The slides reveal the beauties and growth of the chief cities, as Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Ballarat, Hobart and others.

The various industries are made a special study, chiefly gold, sheep and wool, wheat, butter, fruits, vineyards, etc. The lecture treats of the life of the people from the daily occupations to the sports, including cricket, and the famous horse races, with the Melbourne Cup day at the Flemington race course.

Australia is a new country in many respects, with its marvelous development and expansion, beautiful buildings, great bridges, irrigation system, and one about which many people know little. The slides and lecture acquaint one with the interesting features of this Australian continent, one of which is the advance step taken by the government in helping its people, through industrial co-operation. The public welcome.

## PRIZE IN GOLD FOR BEST INVITATION

Board of Trade Offers \$5 to Be Competed for—Wants Vermonters to Come Home This Year.

Editor of The Reformer.—The Greater Vermont association has published, in the form of a leaflet designed to slip into an envelope, an invitation to all Vermonters in other states to come home during the year 1916, the 125th anniversary of the joining of the Union of the first state to be added to the original thirteen. It contains a message from the governor, who says:

"Nothing is more pleasing to me than the idea of home coming, and in behalf of the people of the state I join your association in extending a most hearty invitation to all the native born and their children, wherever they may be, to come to us sometime during the year 1916."

The board of trade desires to publish something of the kind for distribution among our people that this invitation may be sent wherever Vermonters may be. It should be brief and yet suggest to the wanderer the hospitality which awaits him in his old home. It should be attractive and contain some design symbolizing the state, and it should also contain some incidental reference to Brattleboro.

The board of trade offers a prize of five dollars in gold for the best design and wording of an invitation of this kind, to be submitted to its secretary before April 15, the choice to be made by a committee of three appointed for the purpose.

Your very truly,  
HORTON D. WALKER, Pres.  
Brattleboro, March 30, 1916.

## ICE IN RIVER IS FAST ROTTING AWAY

Present Indications Against Disastrous Flood—Large Open Space Below Whetstone Brook.

The Connecticut river for about half its width from the point where it receives the flow of Whetstone brook to about 100 yards below the highway bridge over the river is open. The ice is rapidly rotting and shows signs of breaking up at different places. While the water has risen considerably the last few days there is nothing yet to indicate the probability of a disastrous flood. The river at the Connecticut River Power Co.'s dam at Vernon has been drawn down considerably below normal on account of repairs.

At the power station this noon it was reported that the water in the river rose a foot and a half last night, but had not risen during the morning. The ice is showing signs of wearing away near the dam, but reports from White River Junction this morning were to the effect that there were no signs there of the ice breaking up in either the White or Connecticut rivers.

This noon above the island a clear space showed and another at the bend of the river a little farther north. The gap in the ice below the junction of Whetstone brook with the Connecticut steadily but slowly widens.

## EPISCOPAL MISSION HERE APRIL 9 TO 14

Services Each Evening at 7:30 as Part of Nation Wide Movement Inaugurated by Convention.

In the last general convention of the Episcopal church a resolution was passed making provision for a nation wide preaching mission to be held in Advent or Lent this year. The movement has met with a great response throughout the Episcopal church, and all of the large cities and many of the smaller ones, as well as the mission fields of the west, have participated in this movement. It is the first time the church has attempted anything like a nation wide mission, although missions have been held everywhere from time to time. Some years ago, it will be remembered by many, Bishop Hall preached missions here.

The rector of St. Michael's Episcopal church, Rev. Nelson Kellogg, expects to preach one to be given here from April 9 to April 14, inclusive. The mission services will be held every evening at 7:30 o'clock. The service consists of hymns, prayers, a sermon and an instruction, followed by an after meeting or prayer meeting. The whole service lasts about an hour.

The weather forecast for the week ending April 14, inclusive, is: Fair tonight and Saturday. Gentle to moderate north winds.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The weather forecast: Fair tonight and Saturday. Gentle to moderate north winds.

Unanimous for Graham. (Montpelier Argus.)

Horace F. Graham, able auditor of accounts, in whom the voters of Vermont have unusual confidence, has announced himself as a candidate for governorship. Mr. Graham goes into the contest under auspices that are exceptionally favorable and it is doubtful if any opposition worthy of the name will appear against him.

Well known throughout Vermont and held in the highest favor because he deserves to be, faithful in the discharge of his duties and loyal to the core to good old Vermont, it is safe to predict that his selection in the primaries will be practically unanimous.

The annual business meeting of the Baptist church will be held in the vestry Saturday afternoon at 2:30. A full attendance is desired, as officers are to be elected for the coming year and matters of importance are to be acted upon.

Mrs. W. E. Elmore was in Brattleboro, returning home Sunday, accompanied by her granddaughter, Grace Whitney. The latter's mother, Mrs. Harland Whitney, is staying in Brattleboro with relatives while Mr. Whitney is in the Memorial hospital.

## HOTEL BURNS IN SPOFFORD

### Fire Caused by Over-Heated Furnace Breaks Out in the Night

### WOMAN AND SON HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Property Owned by John Vinnigan and Included 25 Rooms—Barn on Premises Saved—Loss About \$10,000—Other Buildings Endangered.

(Special to The Reformer.)

SPOFFORD, N. H., March 31.

Fire which started from an overheated furnace before 2 o'clock this morning totally destroyed the Spofford House, owned by John Vinnigan. Mrs. Mary Holland, housekeeper, and five-year-old son, Alfred, had a narrow escape. The hotel which was a 25-room wooden structure, fully equipped, was burned to the ground, the only article saved being a small counter taken from the office. The barn belonging with the hotel and which stood about 25 feet away was saved.

Sparks from the Spofford House set fire to the old oil shop owned by Slade & Joslin and a house belonging to Mrs. J. P. Armstrong, but little damage was done to these buildings. Favorable weather conditions prevented a more serious loss.

About three or four years ago the Spofford House was fitted with steam heat and electric lights. The loss is estimated at about \$10,000, with insurance of \$5,000.

CLAREMONT VISITED BY FOUR FIRES

All Between 2:15 Yesterday Afternoon and 1:15 This Morning—Round House Fire Most Serious.

(Special to The Reformer.)

CLAREMONT, N. H., March 31.

Four separate and distinct fires between 2:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon and 1:15 o'clock this morning have caused the suspicion, as yet unconfirmed by any evidence, that a firebug is at work in town.

The first of the fires was discovered in the attic of a boarding house. It was extinguished by the firemen after the upper part of the house had been badly gutted.

The second alarm was for a fire in the barn owned by J. B. Bartlett on East street. This was discovered at 6:15 o'clock in the evening and the barn and the oil of the house adjoining were practically destroyed. The house was saved, although damaged by water.

The most disastrous fire was discovered in the round house of the Boston & Maine railroad at 11 o'clock at night. This fire totally destroyed the building, three locomotives and a baggage car which were in it. A fourth engine which was partly in the round house with steam up, was run out to safety.

The last of the series of fires was this morning at 1:15 o'clock when the house and barn of Stephen Breck at West Claremont were destroyed with most of their contents.

No cause is known for any of the fires.

### PUTNEY.

George Johnston of Oldtown, Maine, is visiting his sister, Mrs. R. B. Davis. Kenneth Howard returned Saturday from a few days' visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tucker, in Brattleboro.

Prof. and Mrs. Lawrence and young son and R. F. Landis of Mt. Hermon are spending the spring vacation at F. S. Harris's.

Mrs. H. G. Everleth and Miss Charlotte Eaton left Saturday for New York. Mrs. Annie Evans of West Brattleboro is here keeping house for her brother, Mr. Everleth.

There will be a food sale in the Congregational church Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society. Baked beans, hot rolls, pies, cakes, etc., will be on sale.

Lewis Burditt and Waldo Howard went with the high school party from Brattleboro on the Washington trip. Mr. Burditt graduated last year from the high school and Mr. Howard is a senior this year.

The annual business meeting of the Baptist church will be held in the vestry Saturday afternoon at 2:30. A full attendance is desired, as officers are to be elected for the coming year and matters of importance are to be acted upon.

Mrs. W. E. Elmore was in Brattleboro, returning home Sunday, accompanied by her granddaughter, Grace Whitney. The latter's mother, Mrs. Harland Whitney, is staying in Brattleboro with relatives while Mr. Whitney is in the Memorial hospital.